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SUBJECT: SCHOLARSHIP OFFER

1. THE JAPANESE FOREIGNOFFICE HAS PASSED TO HE EMBASSY
A FORMAL OFFER BY SHIKOKU WOMEN'S COLLEGE TO PROVIDE
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FOUR FEMALE MICRONESIAN STUDENTS BEGINNING
IN OCTOBER 1976. THE COLLEGE IS A FAIRLY LARGE AND WELL-
REGARDED INSTITUTION LOCATED IN TOKUSHIMA CITY ON THE ISLAND
OF SHIKOKU. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT THE SCHOLARSHIP OFFER
HAS BEEN EXTENDED BY COLLEGE ON RECOMMZNDATION OF DAISUKE
AKITA, VICE SPEAKER OF LOWER HOUSE OF DIET.

2. COLLEGE PROPOSES THAT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS BE SELECTED
BY JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL, GUAM. IT REQUIRES THAT THEY
BE AT LEAST SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND BE TO SOME
EXTENT PROFICIENT IN THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE. THEY WOULD
INITIALLYHBE ADMITTED AS AUDITORS AND, AFTER SUCCESSFUL
COMPLETION OF ONE SEMESTER'S STUDY, WOULD CONTINUE
AS REGULAR JUNIOR COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR TWO YEARS.
PREMISED ON SUPPLEMENTARY SUPPORT OF DOLS 700PER YEAR
PER STUDENT BY TTPI, COLLEGE OFFERS TO BEAR FULL
TUITION AND FEES TOTALLING YEN 350,000 PER YEAR
(APPROX DOLS 1167) FOR EACH AND TO GIVE EACH MONTHLY
ALLOWANCE OF YEN 10,000 (APPROX DOLS 33).

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3. EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO REASON TO OBJECT TO THIS

PROPOSAL. BASED ON EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING THAT ONLY PROPOSALS REGARDING OFFICIAL GOJ AID NEED BE HANDLED IN DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, WE HAD EARLIER SUGGESTED TO FOREIGN OFFICE THAT JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL ON GUAM APPROACH TTPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. FOREIGNOFFICE SAYS CONGEN WAS TOLD PROPOSAL MUST BE TRANSMITTED THROUGH EMBASSY.

4. EMBASSY IS POUCHING SEPARATELY TO HICOM FULL TRANSLATION OF SHIKOKU WOMEN'S COLLEGE OFFER AND A JAPANESE LANGUAGE PAMPHLET DESCRIBING THE COLLEGE. WE URGE THAT TTPI DISCUSS PROPOSAL FURTHER WITH JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL AND, SHOULD DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE WITH COLLEGE BE DESIRED, TTPI WRITE TO TSUNEYOSHI TSURUTA, PRESIDENT, SHIKOKU WOMEN'S COLLEGE, FURUKAWA OJIN-CHO, TOKUSHIMA CITY, TOKUSHIMA PREFECTURE, 771-11, JAPAN.
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